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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Michel MANARAS et al.

For : Override Device for Allowing Manual Operation of a Closure  
Normally Operated By an Electric Motor

Filed : July 8, 1994

Serial No.: 08/272,002

Allowed: January 2, 1997

Group Art Unit: I03

**CONFIRMATION**

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Sir:

This follows our payment of the Base Issue Fee on April 2, 1997 in the above application, as well as our subsequent Status Inquiries.

To date, we have still not received the U.S. Letters Patent for the above application. In the above application, the Base Issue Fee was due by April 2, 1997 and was timely paid on that same date. To support this, we include a copy of our file copies (i.e. unsigned) of our cover letter of April 1, 1997 and of its annexes Form PTOL-85B, the Amendment After Allowance under 37 C.F.R. 1.312, and the front page of the Certified Copy of priority Canadian Application No. 2,112,350, all filed in the USPTO on April 2, 1997. We also include copies of both sides of our cashed cheque No. 4258 (also submitted on April 2, 1997) in the amount of \$645.00 which shows that it was received and cashed by the USPTO. We further enclose a copy of our firm's post card confirming the timely receipt of these documents by the USPTO on April 2, 1997.

Although we have not received any confirmation that the priority claim has been entered in the above application, we know that the Patent Office received on April 2, 1997 our correspondence of April 1, 1997 as we have since received a Patent Office Communication dated January 23, 1998 indicating that the Amendment After Allowance which we submitted simultaneously with the payment of the Base Issue Fee

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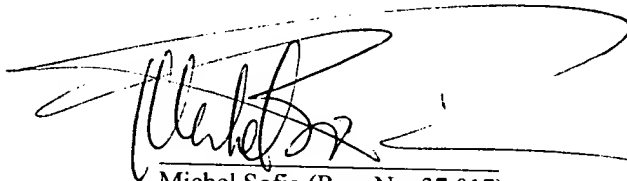
had been entered. For the Patent Office's convenience, we enclose a copy of the Office Communication of January 23, 1998.

As the USPTO has acknowledged and entered our Amendment After Allowance filed on April 2, 1997 and as the USPTO has received and cashed our cheque No. 4528 covering the Base Issue Fee also filed on April 2, 1997, we conclude that the Certified Copy of Canadian Patent Application No. 2,112,350 has been received and that priority thereon has been based and completed in the present U.S. Application under 35 USC § 119.

Accordingly, we would appreciate receiving the Letters Patent as soon as possible. If the Patent has been granted but has not been received by the undersigned Agent of Record, a new copy thereof is respectfully requested.

In the event that anything further is required in this file, the Office is respectfully requested to immediately contact the undersigned. If not, the Letters Patent is again anticipated in the short future.

Respectfully,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to Michel Sofia, is written over a horizontal line.

Michel Sofia (Reg. No. 37,017)  
Agent of Record

December 8, 1999  
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AMENDMENT: ☐ ☒ Certified Copy of Canadian Application No. 2,112,350  
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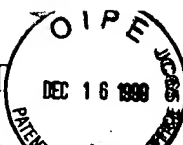
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Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
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Sir:

Enclosed are the following:

1. Duly executed Form PTOL-85B along with our cheque no. 4528 in the amount of \$645.00 to cover the prescribed US Government Issue Fee;
2. Certified copy of Canadian Patent Application No. 2,112,350 filed in Canada on December 23, 1993 and upon which priority is based, and completed under 35 U.S.C. §119;
3. Amendment After Allowance under 37 C.F.R. 1.312

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-5113.

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Specification and Drawings, as originally filed, with  
Application for Patent Serial No: 2,112,350, on December 23,  
1993, by MICHEL MANARAS AND EDDY DESROCHERS, for "Override  
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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.312

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This follows the receipt of the Notice of Allowance issued on January 2, 1997 in the above Application. Kindly amend the Application in the following respects.

DISCLOSURE:

Kindly move the paragraph added after line 27 of page 10 in Applicant's Amendment of December 16, 1996 to after line 28 of page 10 such that this previously added paragraph appropriately falls between two paragraphs and, more particularly, before the paragraph which starts as follows: "Figs. 6 to 9 illustrate a second override device D' also in accordance with the present invention...".



REMARKS

Claims 1 to 3 remain in the application.

It is believed that, in the Amendment of December 16, 1996, the paragraph added after line 27 of page 10 should have been added after line 28 of page 10 so as to nest between two existing paragraphs. By the present Amendment, Applicant wishes to move the previously added paragraph so that it is properly positioned in the Disclosure.

Acceptance and entry of the present Amendment After Allowance submitted under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully,

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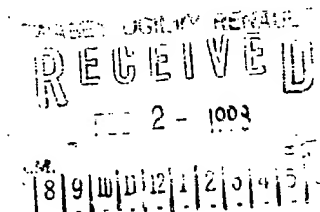
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**Response to Rule 312  
Communication**

Application No.  
**08/272,002**

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**Vinh Luong**

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☐ The petition filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is granted. The paper has been forwarded to the examiner for consideration on the merits.



☒ The amendment filed on Apr 2, 1997 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

☐ entered.

☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention (Order 3311).

☐ disapproved. See explanation below.

☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

**VINH LUONG  
PRIMARY EXAMINER  
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